



Village Meeting Summary

Purpose/Project #: Indian Head Park and Illinois Tollway Coordination Meeting

Meeting Date/Time: 06/27/2023, 3:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting: Microsoft Teams

Attendees:

Tollway:	Jill Ziegler
	Rick Hanba
	Keith Keslinke
OR/CCM:	Shannon Armstrong, TranSystems
	Mike Wiater, TranSystems
DCM:	Edward Yousif, AECOM
Village:	Amy Jo Wittenberg, Village of Indian Head Park, President
	Brenda O'Laughlin, Village of Indian Head Park, Trustee
	Justin Fuller, Village of Indian Head Park, Acting Public Works Superintendent

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The Central Tri-State (CTS) Tollway (I-294) project team met with Village President Amy Jo Wittenberg, Trustee Brenda O'Laughlin and Village staff Justin Fuller to discuss drainage plan revisions and landscaping along the embankment at Keokuk Road. Village President Wittenberg also brought forth resident complaints regarding the condition of areas along Wolf Road and Plainfield Road bridges. Additionally, President Wittenberg requested that the shoulder along Keokuk Road be re-established with similar width and gravel prior to the beginning of the Plainfield Road Bridge reconstruction project.

The Village had previously requested grates to be installed on the 12" pipes due to proximity of the park, and the attendees discussed that grates are not typically made for flared end sections smaller than 24" because a grate on that small of a diameter pipe would interfere with water flow. There are numerous 12" culverts under driveways in this area without grates.

Ed Yousif, Drainage Lead for the Design Corridor manager (DCM) presented the drainage plan revision option along the embankment at Keokuk Road. Justin Fuller (Acting Public Works Superintendent) indicated he felt the original plan with a secondary swale was more ideal for the Village rather than the revised drainage plan option presented to the Village. The Village President agreed that if Justin was comfortable with the original plan that she would like that plan to be followed. Jill Ziegler (Tollway) indicated the CTS team would meet with Cook County to request approval for the Tollway to follow the original drainage plan with a secondary swale installation since the area is under the jurisdiction of the Cook County Highway Department.

Ms. Ziegler provided an overview of the landscaping plans for the embankment along Keokuk Road. A variety of native trees were proposed based on the recommendations provided by the Cook County Ecologist. Village President Wittenberg requested red buds be added along the embankment, reducing some of the sumac, and the proposed Freeman maples be changed to oaks. The Village also requested more spruces be added next to Flagg Creek near the curve of Keokuk Road. The CTS team will discuss the Village's requests for changes with Cook County and let the Village know the outcome of the discussion.

The Tollway and Village will meet again virtually to review action items.

Action Items:

- Village President Wittenberg will email the Village's requests to the CTS Team.
- The Tollway will investigate the condition of the shoulder along Keokuk Road and make repairs.
- The Tollway will discuss with Cook County the Village's interest in reverting back to the original drainage plan proposed for the embankment at Keokuk Road.
- The Tollway will discuss with Cook County the Village's requests for the following landscaping changes:
 - 2 Pin or Burr Oak instead of 2 Freeman Maples.
 - 2 evergreens (Spruce preferred) instead of 2 Freeman Maples parallel to Plainfield Road.
 - Half Sumac along the slope and half Eastern Redbuds or another option.
 - Revise five Hackberries in the landscaping plan to be three evergreens (Spruce preferred) and two Hackberries at the bend along Keokuk Road.
- Tollway will investigate the area at the I-294 bridge and Wolf Road regarding the following issues:
 - Drainage issues under the bridge
 - Unsightly construction related debris
 - Re-sodding the slope on the south side of the bridge
 - Pigeon deterrents